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EMERGENCY HOSPITAL DIRECTOR MAKES REPORT TO HEALTH BOARD

Cost Per Patient Per Day Was Kept At a Very Low Figure

30 BED EQUIPMENT ON HAND

Report of the Charleroi Emergency Hospital, submitted December 10, 1918, Thomas L. Pollock Director.

Hospital was open five weeks from October 28 to November 6, and at the High school from Nov. 6 to Dec. 2, 1918.

Patients admitted	187
Male patients	110
Female patients	77
Married	72
Single	115
White	184
Colored	3
Patients from other districts	47
Hospital days	1347
Greatest No. patients	70
Greatest No. children	24
Total No. deaths	30
Percentage of deaths	16
Number of births	3
No. influenza cases	164
No. pneumonia cases	23
Influenza deaths	18
Pneumonia deaths	12
Percent Influenza deaths	12
Percent pneumonia deaths	50

Age of Patients

0—4	43
5—9	13
10—14	14
15—19	10
20—24	32
25—29	24
30—34	23
35—39	16
40—44	2
45—49	4
50—54	2
55—59	3
60 and over	1

Total cost to date	$4,421.66
Amt. due from other districts	1,129.25
Value of equipment	2,133.38
Daily cost per patient	3.25
Amount of money received from all sources	342.40
Amount paid nurses and other help	1,412.42
No. registered nurses employed	7
No. aides	35
No. physicians on staff	12
No. of U. S. Army physicians in charge	2

While the percentage of deaths from pneumonia seems to be quite high, yet the total percentage of deaths from all causes was but 16 per cent, which is much lower than the rate which prevailed in other communities.

The report also shows that the greater number of cases occurred between 20 and 40 years of age, although children seemed to be peculiarly susceptible to the malady.

As to the cost per patient, the hospital was run in a most economical manner. The report shows that the total cost was $3.25 per patient per day, and yet if the cost of the equipment on hand and which had to be purchased is deducted from the total amount it will show that patients were maintained at the hospital for a trifle less than $1.70 per day each, certainly a most economical figure.

The borough has equipment now on hand sufficient to furnish a 30-bed hospital with cots, blankets, mattresses, kitchen equipment and hospital accessories.

In the up-keep of the hospital the school board of the borough contributed the building, the coal for heating and electricity for lighting, as well as the services of three janitors. In addition the services of the teachers who worked in and about the hospital and at the Red Cross rooms.

The report shows that those in charge conducted the institution along economical and business-like lines and are entitled to the commendation of the public.

RAPID PROMOTION FOR THIS SOLDIER

Charles Faddis of Waynesburg, who served with Co. K, old Tenth Regiment on the Mexican border in 1916 and who went to Camp Hancock in 1917 for training with the same command, later being transferred to the officers' training camp at Ft. Oglethorpe, has just been made a Lieutenant Colonel. He received a Captain's commission at Oglethorpe and while in France was promoted successively to Major and then to Lt. Colonel. He is a graduate of State College.

—WE MUST WIN THAT TABLET—

ELECT NEW OFFICERS FOR THE P. H. C.

At the regular meeting of the Charleroi Circle No. 203, Protected Home Circle, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President—Pearl Silbaugh.
V. President—Minnie Lape.
Guardian—Thomas Rigby.
Chaplain—Elizabeth Kulow.
Guide—Laura McCoy.
Companion—Catherine Weber
Sentinel—William Cratty.
Watchman—Mattie Myers.
Pianist—Florence Williams.
Trustee for three years—William Davies.
Treasurer—Romola Connell.
Secretary—Robina Gunderman.
Accountant—George Gunderman

At this final arrangements were made for the euchre, which will be held next Wednesday evening.

—WE MUST WIN THAT TABLET—

The ladies fo the Mother of Sorrow church will hold a fancy work bazaar at Calistri's store, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. [illegible]

—DON'T LET OUR COUNTY FAIL—

Come to the Hospital Bazaar, Monday and Tuesday, December 16 and 17. At 407 Fallowfield avenue 159t5*

Mobilizing The War Savings Stamps Army

W. B. Patterson who so ably managed the Fourth Liberty Loan drive in Charleroi has been appointed chairman of the War Savings Stamp campaign for the town and is now organizing his forces for active service. The first step in mobilizing this Army of Occupation will the opening of Recruiting Stations which will be in charge of ladies and located in the various banks of the borough and in business houses and possibly in lobbies of the theatres, where War Savings Stamps will be on sale during the day and evening.

The Boy Scouts will be utilized for the publicity department, and will post and distribute bills and other printed matter. In addition the heads of all mills and factories will be provided with pledge cards which they will be asked to distribute among their employes. Another feature which Chairman Potterson will distribute will be Christmas envelopes, in which to enclose War Savings Stamps which may be given as Christmas gifts.

Government authorities are anxious that people in giving gifts of money to have these gifts represented in Liberty Bonds, War Savings Stamps and United States Tariff Cards The giving of gold is being discouraged, bonds and stamps being considered more appropriate at the present time.

The campaign will be under full headway during the coming week and Kerfoot W. Daly, chairman for the eastern district of the county, hopes to see this district take up its quota before the end of the year.

VOIGHT'S BODY IN ARLINGTON CEMETERY

The body of Alexander Voight, former State Police officer and later a plain clothes man on the Monessen force, who was murdered in that town about three weeks ago while on duty, and which had been deposited temporarily in the mortuary vault in the Monongahela cemetery was removed to Washington City Thursday night. Officers of the Masonic Lodge of Virginia, of which he was a member in good standing, arrived on Thursday in Monessen and after ascertaining the body had been taken to Monongahela, went there and arranged to have it sent to Washington, where it was interred in Arlington cemetery. Voight was a former member of the Regular Army and had honorable discharges dated in 1902, 1904 and 1906. He left considerable of an estate.

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WELL KNOWN EASTERN STAR MEMBER DEAD

Col. W. T. Mechling, aged 61 for several years postmaster of Butler, Pa., died at his home in that city on Thursday. During the Spanish-American war he served as Lieutenant Colonel of the Fifteenth Pennsyvania Regiment and at the close of hostilities was given the rank of Colonel. He was past commander of the Spanish-American War Veteran's Association, and president of the Butler school board. Col. Mechling was also a Past Grand Worthy Patron of the Eastern Star, and had visited with the Charleroi Chapter in recent years.

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It must gravel the Huns to think that, after all, the President of the United States will eat that Christmas dinner in Paris.

NEXT LIBERTY BOND IS NEXT SPRING

Five to five and one-half billion dollars more of bonds will have to be issued to finance the government this year, Secretary McAdoo told the House Ways and Means Committee on Thursday in discussing financial questions. He based this on an estimate of $18,000,000,000 in expenditures, and members of the committee said the estimate was not too low. It has been stated previously that the last Liberty Bond issue, to be floated in the spring will be for about $6,000,000,000.

—DON'T LET OUR COUNTY FAIL—

WORKERS ON RED CROSS HONOR ROLL

There were more Red Cross workers the past week than the week before, although the [illegible]tain classes of work is not so urgent as it had been previously. Those who gave of their time during the past week were Mesdames J. A. Nutt, John Kraus, W. A. Gaut, J. M. Evans, I. N. Kibler, T. P. Sloan, Samuel Simcox, Sr., W. D. Pollock, Frank Jones and J. T. Laird, T. R. Eagye, S. Lutes, E. W. Allman and Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson and Misses Ruth High, Virginia Nutt and Lela Nutt.

—DON'T LET OUR COUNTY FAIL—

You can make no mistake when you purchase your jewelry, diamonds, cut glass, ivory and watches from us, if you want real goods and a square deal, stop and shop at I Birken. 159-tf

—DON'T LET OUR COUNTY FAIL—

Follow the crowd to the home of a thousand Xmas ideas at I. Birken. 159-tf

CAMPAIGN BEGINS MONDAY FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE RED CROSS

SILVER CHEVRONS FOR SERVICE ON THIS SIDE

Officers and men of the army, who failed to see service overseas by reason of duties imposed upon them in this country will not be denied recognition. By direction of President Wilson as commander-in-chief of the army, General March, chief of staff on Wednesday issued an order that hereafter such men will be entitled to wear a silver chevron on their sleeve as a recognition of that service. The officers and men will get one silver chevron for each six months service.

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APPROVE BILLS OF EMERGENCY HOSPITAL

A meeting of the Board of Health with representatives of the emergency hospital and of the local Red Cross Chapter was held at the borough building Friday evening.

The report of T. L. Pollock as director of the emergency hospital and which is printed in another column of today's Mail, was presented and approved. It was further decided that the Charleroi Chapter of the American Red Cross would pay all bills and then prorate the expense among the different communities which had patients at the hospital for payment. It was also decided to keep all of the hospital equipment purchased by the local hospital board for any future emergency that might arise. It will, therefore, be stored until such time as it is needed.

A suggestion was made by H. J. Booth, president of the Red Cross, to have a statistical canvass made of the borough in order to ascertain the number of influenza patients, whether they had been inoculated or had used the spraying method as well as any other information that would be valuable for future use. The Board agreed to adopt the plan and the canvass will be made some time after the holidays.

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Mrs. Bert McIlvaine

Word has been received here of the death at Toronto, Ohio this morning at 10 o'clock of Mrs. Bert McIlvaine. Death was due to influenza and pneumonia. Funeral announcements will be made later.

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CHARLTON FUNERAL SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The funeral of Ralph Charlton will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock with interment in Monongahela cemetery.

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SPRAYING SERVICE QUITS THIS EVENING

The spraying service as a preventive against the influenza which has been under way at the War Chest room, will be discontinued after this evening.

Systematic Canvass of Town Will Be Taken Up At That Time

WANT ALL CITIZENS TO JOIN

The Christmas Roll Call for the American Red Cross will begin Monday next, and will continue until the day before Christmas. The purpose of this roll call is to enroll the names of every resident of every community as a supporter of this great movement. This is not a financial campaign, as membership in the Red Cross costs but one dollar per year.

The Charleroi Chapter has prepared for this movement by securing a number of solicitors who will begin work Monday next and who will systematically canvass the borough for the purpose of enrolling all of those who are not now members. Of course those contributing to the local War Chest are already members of the organization, but it is known there are a large number of others who live in town who are not on this list, and who will be solicited to become members. If any one should be overlooked in this canvass they are requested to call at the Red Cross headquarters on McKean avenue, and Miss Minnie Richardson the secretary will be glad to enroll them.

The Red Cross has done a wonderful work during the war, having taken over all the hospital work behind the allied battle lines, as well as maintaining hospitals in France, Italy, England and the United States, and although the war is over there is yet a large amount of work to be done before all the boys are brought back to health. The dollar which the individual contributes will help along in this great work and the officials of the local society are extremely desirous that every one have a part in this splendid charity. They ask a respectful hearing for those who will devote their time next week to making the proper solicitation.

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Notice to the Public

I wish to announce to the public that I have purchased the grocery business, formerly known as the Pardiny Grocery 604 Fallowfield avenue, and in the future will conduct same under the name of Waterson's Grocery. Each Thursday will be a special day for fresh country eggs and butter and all country produce.

W. A. Waterson.
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The euchre which was to have been held by the Protected Home Circle December 18 has been postponed until Wednesday January first. 163-t2

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Why worry as to what to give the ladies. See Porters suggestions on page 5.

Coyle Theatre Monday
Wallace Reid in a Paramount picture
"THE FIREFLY OF FRANCE"

Majestic Theatre Today
GLADYS LESLIE in "NYMPH OF THE FOOT-HILLS" Also Pathe News and a Toto comedy
Monday--Jane and Katherine Lee (Fox Kiddies) in "SWAT THE SPY"

Remember The BOYS OVER THERE

You surely want to remember our brave boys over the sea this Christmas.

Send your remittance to them by Bank Draft a safe and economical way to forward it.

You can obtain these Drafts of us

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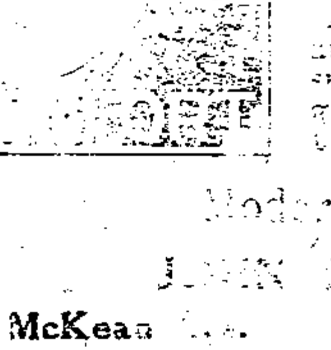
Charleroi, Pa.

Friday & Saturday

$6.00 worth of United Cigar Coupons free with each $1 purchase of
Tobaccos, Cigars, and Pipes
Six Times Usual Value

MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

Coyle Theatre Today
William S. Hart in a 5 reel feature
"THE DISCIPLE"
Wednesday---Olive Tell in a Metro picture
"SECRET STRINGS"



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will bring comfort and better vision.
Accurate, skilled care in examining and expertness in manufacture insure obtaining the glasses here that give the maximum aid to the vision together with real comfort.

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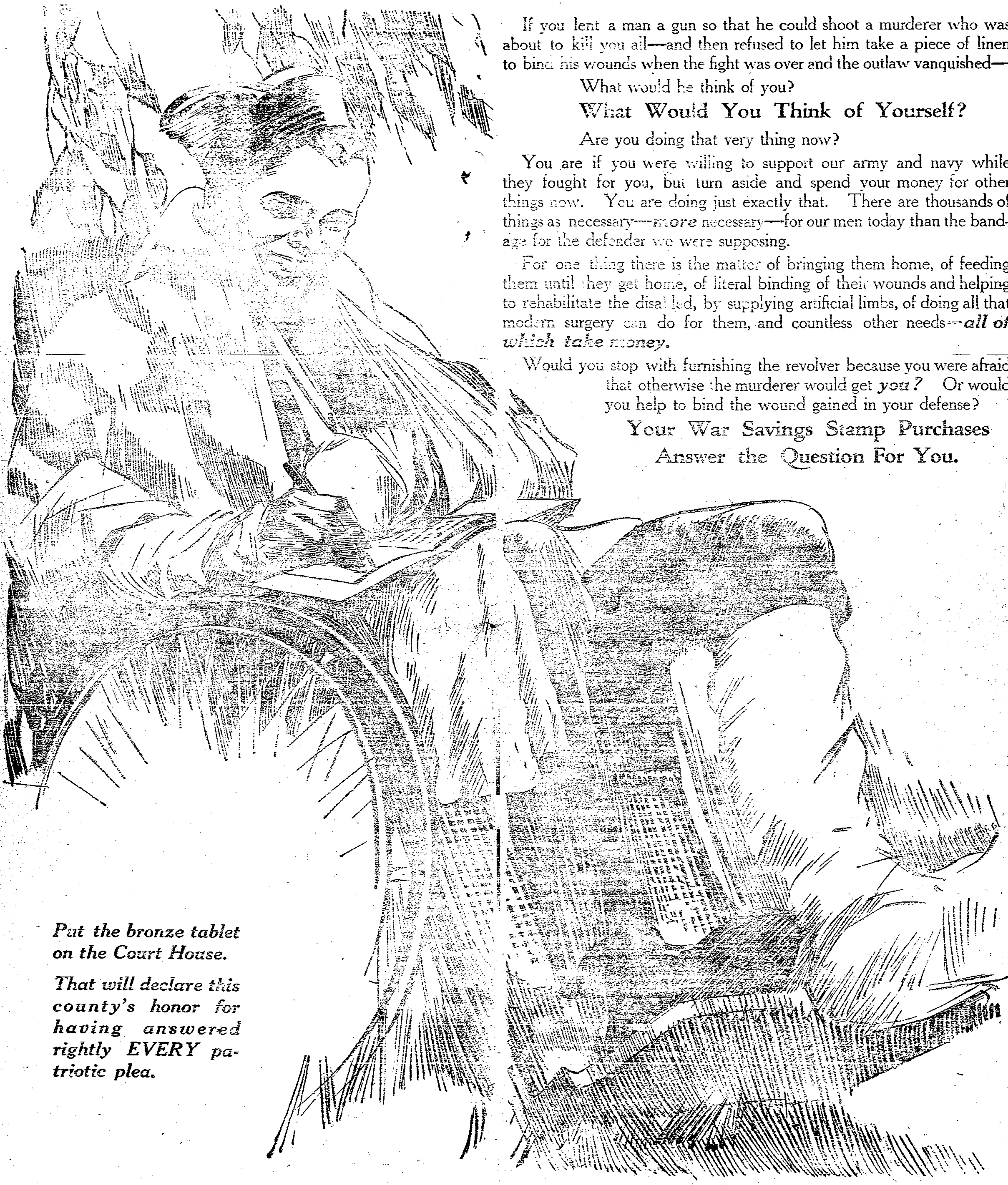
Which Would You Do?



If you lent a man a gun so that he could shoot a murderer who was about to kill you all—and then refused to let him take a piece of linen to bind his wounds when the fight was over and the outlaw vanquished—

What would he think of you?

What Would You Think of Yourself?

Are you doing that very thing now?

You are if you were willing to support our army and navy while they fought for you, but turn aside and spend your money for other things now. You are doing just exactly that. There are thousands of things as necessary—*more* necessary—for our men today than the bandage for the defender we were supposing.

For one thing there is the matter of bringing them home, of feeding them until they get home, of literal binding of their wounds and helping to rehabilitate the disabled, by supplying artificial limbs, of doing all that modern surgery can do for them, and countless other needs—***all of which take money.***

Would you stop with furnishing the revolver because you were afraid that otherwise the murderer would get *you?* Or would you help to bind the wound gained in your defense?

Your War Savings Stamp Purchases Answer the Question For You.

Put the bronze tablet on the Court House.

That will declare this county's honor for having answered rightly EVERY patriotic plea.

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"IDEALISTIC CLEMENCY"

There is said to be an uneasy impression in France, England and Italy that President Wilson is disposed [illegible] the defeated [illegible]. The same impression [illegible] to exist in the ranks of our soldiers in Europe [illegible] thing [illegible] them: "The French, British and Italians [illegible] the Germans [illegible] one account [illegible] question [illegible] from the sphere [illegible] and put upon a plane of academic discussion. Throughout the dark days, when Prussianism ground noncombatants under its heel, crucified helpless prisoners, ravished women and dealt out wholesale murder in the most frightfully barbaric manner conceivable, there has been one common thought in the minds of American, French, British and Italian soldiers. It has been addressed to the Huns and the authors of these crimes with the motto, 'You wait until the day of reckoning, when our turn comes.'"

This soldiers' view is not surprising, for "an eye for an eye" is still virtually the law of the [illegible] line. There is force in their reported argument that Germans guilty of such atrocities should not be left to be punished merely by their own doubtful remorse, and greater force in the argument that no better means of preventing more wars like the last can be found than meeting out stern justice to the guilty. Why President Wilson is not expected to see the force of this [illegible] is not clear. There is good reason to believe that he sees it already. [illegible] mercy to the German masses need not involve failure to punish guilty individuals or to impose heavy indemnity. Moreover, we hope the President has never dreamed of pretending to be the sole judge.

UNPRINTABLE CRUELTIES

The book of German atrocities is complete. No additions are needed. But the question [illegible] position of Germany [illegible] entitled "The Black Slaves of Prussia" by Rt. Rev. Frank Weston, Bishop of Zanzibar, an appeal to the Allied nations not to permit the restoration of Prussian rule in German East Africa. The author, who has been in East Africa 20 years and served as Bishop in a part of the German colony for 10 years, declares that the Germans there have been guilty of inconceivable cruelties. Some of these are described, but they are too vile for general publication. The Germans sought to excuse their atrocities in the invaded territories of Europe on the ground that they were necessities of war, but not even this flimsy excuse can be urged in extenuation of cruelties practised upon submissive natives of Africa.

It is interesting to find Dr. Weston explaining these cruelties merely on the ground that the perpetrators were Germans. "It is a disease of the German mind," he says. "The German colonial system is cruel, relentless, inhuman, and the reason is that it is German." Columns of denunciatory rhetoric could not add to the crushing force of this simple yet appalling indictment. No wonder the man who holds such a view based on actual experience contends that if Germany is allowed to [illegible] East Africa again the deliverers will be guilty of a "monstrous betrayal" of the helpless black people who now trustingly look to them for future safeguard.

THE BRITISH NAVY

The peace conference is going to take up the question of navies for the [illegible] countries of the world. It is said President Wilson has expressed himself in favor of smaller navies, and that he would advocate this principle when the peace ambassadors meet to fix the terms of peace to be imposed upon Germany and the other countries allied as the Central powers in the great war just ended.

If such a proposition comes before the conference it will undoubtedly find a strong opponent in the British Empire. Premier Lloyd George said only on Wednesday that Great Britain would be guilty of a great folly if she gave up her navy.

The navy saved the British Isles and the British Empire in the great war just closed. In fact the British navy saved even more than that, for it kept the German navy cooped in home ports, an impotent factor in the great struggle, and made it possible for the United States of America to send millions of troops and limitless supplies overseas to help in throttling the Kaiser and hordes from triumphing over civilization.

No one can blame a Briton for demanding that when the question of navies comes to be considered, if it should be presented to the conference, their representatives shall present a united front [illegible] now.

[illegible]

[illegible] and unroll with modern progress toward the wider and kindlier democracy. It is to take the form of a memorial building dedicated to the soldiers and used as a community and social center. In other words, it will honor and perpetuate the memory of those who fought "to make the world safe for Democracy" and at the same time, in its daily use will help to develop and perpetuate the kindly getting-together feeling that is nowadays tending to make democracy in practice approach nearer and nearer the ideal of fellowship that democracy in theory stands for.

Some day citizens of Charleroi will erect a memorial in honor of the men who went forth from this town at the call of their country and many of whom made the supreme sacrifice. Instead of [illegible] monument how much better the sentiment of gratitude would be expressed in some structure which would be of benefit to those who are living [illegible] the same time [illegible] of those who [illegible] died.

[illegible] CHEERS

[illegible] men and women of Charleroi parade [illegible] cheering heartily [illegible] the boys [illegible] Germany to its knees.

What is [illegible] a fine-flush? What is the monetary value of those cheers?

How much coffee will a loud hurrah carry to the boys in the French trenches?

How many blankets can be bought for a hip-hip-hooray?

How far will a loud noise carry a wounded man?

Charleroi on November 11 acted as if it really felt grateful to the men from this town and county who are in France or in the training camps. So did the thousands of visitors from other parts of the county.

How many of the cheering thousands who paraded the streets for hours on November 11 will cash in the enthusiasm of that day for a single dollar—the price of a Red Cross membership?

During the week of December 16-23 this town will be combed for Red Cross memberships.

How many patriots are going to cash their cheers?

THE PEOPLE HEARD FROM

The elaborate "statement" issued by the Republican leader of the House is worth the studious attention of every citizen in the United States. Mr. Mann announces that there will be no concerted effort on the part of the Republicans of the House to "embarrass" the President while he is abroad "engaged on a mission which so vitally affects the American people" that "factional strife ought not to be permitted to give the impression that the American people are divided on issues involving the peace of the world;" that the President "should be given the fullest opportunity to carry out his important mission successfully;" that the people "are not in sympathy with any attempt to pinprick" him while he is away, and that they "will not tolerate any meddling in that which so vitally concerns them."

For a man who said he owned German soldiers "body and soul" and who claimed a partnership with the Almighty, William Hohenzollern has had some fall from his lofty perch.

[illegible] there is being produced in England a small airplane with wings extending only fifteen feet, or actually less than the wing extension of a real bird, the albatross. This, to be sure, would be a large albatross, but cases have been known of these birds measuring seventeen and eighteen feet from tip to tip. There is evident advance toward the day when anybody, who can afford the price, will be able to own an airplane, without the need of a special landing place for it. The one referred to can, it is claimed, come down in the street without blocking traffic any more than would a hay wagon on its way to market.—Christian Science Monitor.

It is not clear from Mr. Hoover's announcement whether or not he includes Germans in the 300,000,000 [illegible] who must be fed. If it can [illegible] that the Germans are really [illegible] of help [illegible] is necessary for the good of all Europe, the [illegible]. He will [illegible] every [illegible] Germany [illegible]. [illegible] however, he must be "shown."

From the number of transports now arriving almost every day in New York harbor there will be several thousands of soldier boys home from overseas for the holiday season. They may not be able to return to the old home town, but wherever they may be they will receive a splendid share of the Christmas greeting.

FINED FOR INSULTING WOMEN ON STREET

Ed Greenlow, colored, who gave his residence as Elrama, and who said he was janitor at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. at that place, was arrested Thursday night on Fallowfield avenue for accosting ladies on the street and Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock was given a hearing before Burgess [illegible], who fined him $10 and [illegible] which he paid and then left [illegible]. Greenlow admitted his guilt.

[illegible] memories are recalled, and [illegible] satisfaction found in our [illegible] DIAMONDS in the latest [illegible] I. Birken, 522 McKean avenue. 159-tf.

The cost of the war to the allied nations is put at 120 billions of dollars and while Germany and the nations allied with her may not be compelled to pay this sum, it can be set down for a fact that they will have to pay to the limit of their ability, and it will be no small sum.

If hearts are played you can easily win with a diamond. We can help you in a selection at I. Birken, 522 McKean avenue. 159tf

Aniline in a Pigment.

To detect the presence of aniline in a pigment a little of the color is laid upon a piece of letter paper, and a drop of spirit poured on it. If the pigment contains an aniline dye, the paper will be colored right through by it, while a pure pigment will not alter the [illegible] of the paper and will [illegible].—Popular Science Monthly.

Architecture Reflects History.

Like most Alsatian towns, Metz reflects its Franco-Prussian history in its architecture. Part of the fortifications were begun by the French and finished by the Germans. The Roman Catholic cathedral looks down over the Lutheran church. And the city gates, of which there are ten, are doubly named, Porte d'Allemagne or Deutsche tor, and so on.

Frank Comment.

It takes a small boy to take the conceit out of one. Being a little stout and not often well pleased with myself, on one occasion when wearing a new gown I asked my small son if I did not look rather well. He eyed me for a moment, then took the starch out of me by asking. "Are you not just a little wide across the skirt?"

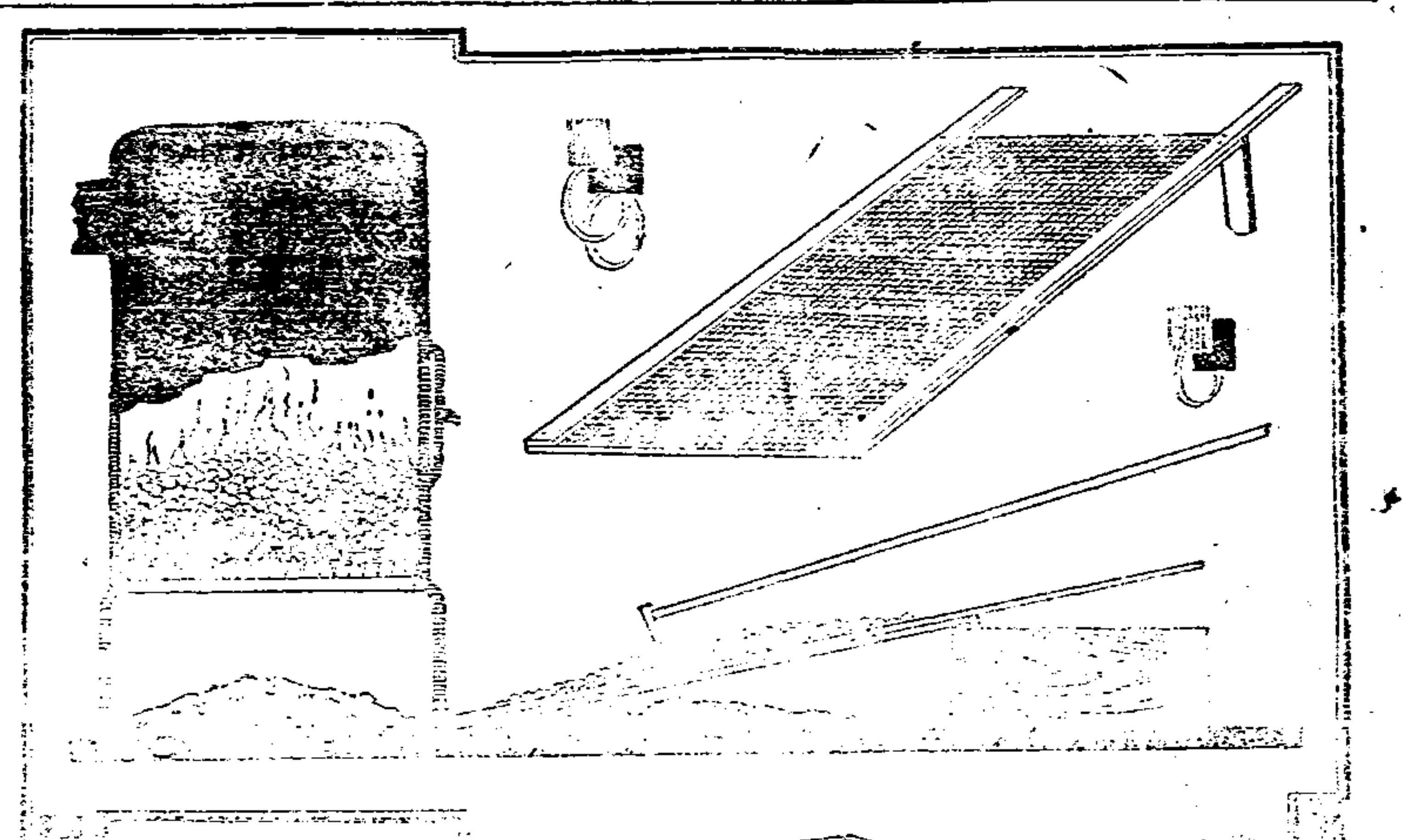
An Assured Future.

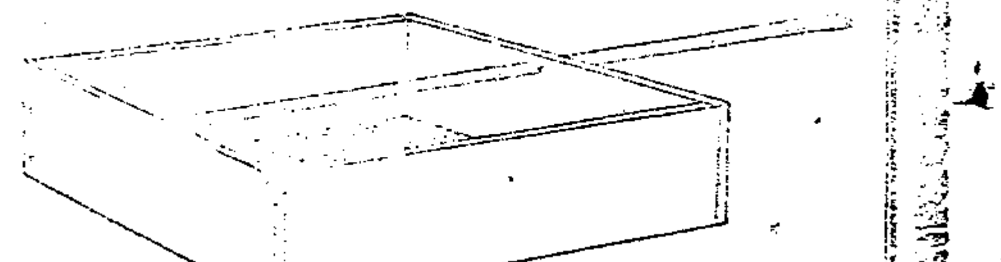
"Dubson doesn't seem to worry about the high cost of living." "And for a very good reason. Dubson married an expert stenographer. Any time the wolf comes snooping about his premises he knows friend wife can go out and earn twice the salary he's getting."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Valuable Tanning Material.

United States government's experts have listed 12 woods, 102 barks, nine leaves, three roots and 17 fruits and seeds that grow in Latin America as yielding tanning materials of industrial value.

HERE ARE TWO SIMPLE HOME-MADE ASH SIFTERS





Ash-Sifter Hard to Beat as [illegible] Easy to Build.

The illustration at the upper right represents a [illegible] ash sifter made from [illegible] one-half inch mesh [illegible] wire. Its [illegible].

In the [illegible] view of the same [illegible] the sifter placed against [illegible]. Ashes are [illegible] with [illegible] they are pulled over the mesh, the ashes drop [illegible]. The purpose of this sort of sifter is to keep dust and reduce work.

In the lower illustration is a simple form of ash sifter which can be made with four boards, or a box sawed in [illegible] a piece of one-half inch [illegible] window wire. This style of sifter is efficient but scatters more dust than the other.

SERVICE FLAGS FOR RED CROSS MEMBERS

Home Service Flags for the American Red Cross are now at the office of the Secretary, Miss Minnie Richardson, 524 McKean avenue, and are ready for distribution. One flag will be given to each family which is represented in the Charleroi Chapter. Those who paid their dues [illegible] not be reported until after the Christmas roll call are [illegible] list. Miss Richardson desires to have the flags distributed before Christmas.

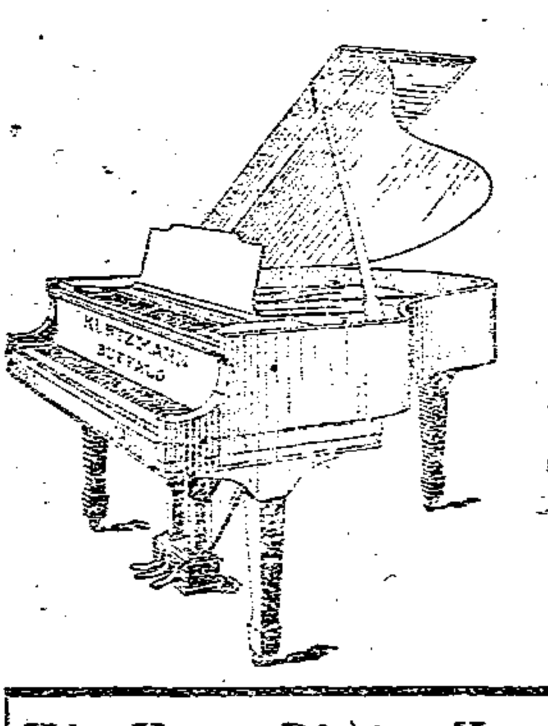
TO PRESENT BELGIAN FLAG TO PITTSBURG

At the Memorial Hall in Pittsburg this evening, in the exercises incidental to the presentation of Allied flags to that city, Jules Waterloo, superintendent of the photo plate company of Monongahela, will present the flag of Belgium.

Mrs. H. Randolph and Miss Elizabeth Edwards spent Saturday in Pittsburg.

Why worry as to what to give the [illegible]. See Porters suggestions on page 5. 163-t1-*

A dangerous rasping cough and sore throat can be quickly relieved by Kemp's Balsam. A few cents invested in a bottle will amply repay you when you have occasion to use. Used by thousands. Satisfaction guaranteed. Sold by druggists everywhere.



"Why not a Piano or Player Piano this Christmas?"

You Will Need Music in Your Home this Coming Yuletide.

THIS year we will celebrate the most glorious Christmas the world has ever known---our hearts will be filled to bursting with thanksgiving and our voices will be raised in mighty Anthems of praise to Almighty God---for "Peace on Earth" is again a reality among all nations.

We Have Right Here in Charleroi THE FINEST AND MOST UP-TO-DATE STORE BETWEEN PITTSBURGH AND PHILADELPHIA.

A beautiful and complete assortment of Kurtzmann Pianos. Also the wonderful Auto-piano, the finest Player Piano Built. Also the Schroeder Pianos and Players. A wonderful instrument for tone and durability.

Prices and Terms to Suit All. Come and See Us, It will be a Pleasure to Show You These Fine Pianos

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Stevenson's Bakery
For Fancy Pastries
Fine cakes and everything in the bakery line. Try our bread and rolls.
408 Fallowfield Ave. Charleroi, Pa.

Teitelbaum's
FOR GOOD CLOTHES
See Our Windows
---For---
THE NEWEST STYLES
BEFORE YOU BUY

---Full line of---
Baldwin, Ellington, Hamilton, Howard and Modello Pianos
Large Line of Playerphones
S. L. Woodward
526 McKean Ave.

WAITING
never gained you any advantage in your Christmas shopping Why not make selections now when stocks are complete and there are no hurrying crowds to contend with.
W. B. Pfleghardt
Where Quality Is Higher Than Prices

Comfort Requisites
for Soldier or Sailor
Whether it may be only a toothbrush or complete outfit
WE HAVE IT
Get it at Piper's
THE DEPENDABLE DRUG STORE

Remodeling Sale
In order to make repairs we offer at a great bargain all coats, dresses, skirts, fancy waists and all millinery away below cost. Sale begins Friday, December 6.
Dont forget the Place
Evans' Millinery
323 McKean Ave. Charleroi

Economy Shoe Store
534 Fallowfield Ave.
Good Shoes Cheap

THE HOME TOWN SPIRIT IS THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

The home Town Spirit is essentially the Christmas spirit. The more we patronize Home Interests. the more we invest our money in support of home trade, the more we are investing in the Christmas spirit which means Peace and Good Will. Are we investing in this Christmas spirit? If we are, the returns will be two-fold. We will get back a double blessing. Every Christmas purchase in the home town means the building up of a community where conditions are prosperous and where poverty is practically unknown. In this way we pile prosperity on prosperity. We create values where they do the greatest good to the greatest number. Let us remember that the Home Town Spirit is the Christmas spirit. Let our home town spirit be the guiding star that will attract Prosperity, Good Times and Progress to our community.

Do Your Xmas
Shopping Now
Our Stock is complete in all departments.
H. PORTER JEWELER and OPTICIAN
502 Fallowfield Ave. Charleroi, Pa
The Store With The Big Street Clock

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Chandeliers
518-20 McKean Ave.
Charleroi Penn'a.

Bell Telephone 74-J Charleroi Telephone 74
Lawrence B. Frye
Funeral Director and Embalmer
335 Fallowfield Ave.
Charleroi, Pa.

Do your feet
Get 'Tired-Out'
This is caused by an unnatural strain on some part of the foot Visit our Chiropody Parlor and you can get relief.
We treat Corns Bunions Ingrown Nails and all other forms of Foot Trouble
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541 Fallowfield Ave. Charleroi, Pa.

Buy Your Silver Here
Our Service is courteous, our goods the best money can buy, our prices are reasonable.
Sterling Silver Table Service
—And—
1847 Rogers 70 year plate
A. Levinson
Jeweler

"When Johnny Comes Marching Home"
You will want the home to be bright and cheerful—A few dollars spent on wall paper will do a lot to brighten up the home. Try some of our popular priced wall papers. 500 room lots of good papers 2.00 and upwards.
Kirk and Clark
THE ECONOMIC STORE
421 McKean Ave. Charleroi, Pa.

Truck Owners Take Notice
On and after January 1st, 1919 you can have your Firestone Solid Tires pressed on, at the
Gas and Auto Supply Co.
L. J. Robertson
Charleroi Pa.

Busy Bee Restaurant
Open Day and Night
Quick Polite Attention
First Class Meals
429 McKean Ave. Charleroi

Roe & Company
Store Open Evenings
Beautiful Christmas gifts at the price you are able to pay---Don't wait.
422 Fallowfield Ave.

WHEN MAKING OUT A CHECK

Take Time Enough to Write Legibly and Be Sure Amount Is Indicated Clearly in Writing.

Do you know how to write a check so that it cannot be successfully tampered with? Experts declare that carelessness in that small matter is responsible for the loss of millions of dollars annually, the loss falling sometimes on the individual and sometimes on the bank. There are mechanical devices to prevent the raising of checks, but their use is not general, partly because of the expense, but more particularly, probably, because it adds one more to the multitude of things to be done.

For those who are daily taking chances William G. Peazelly, handwriting expert in a recent paper offers some valuable advice in the drawing of checks. His first suggestion is to take enough time for the process to be sure of doing a good job. [illegible] in the space for the amount in numerals, write in large figures [illegible] ning close to the printed dollar sign [illegible] don't leave space for the insertion of another figure [illegible] in words, preferably [illegible] capital at the left-hand [illegible] the [illegible] stands in [illegible] the check having written the amount properly [illegible] a heavy line from the last letter to the word "Dollars" at the right. As he says, "block the words in," so that additions cannot be easily made either at the beginning or at the end. When the words are written clearly and with an initial of unmistakable identity, the check-raiser has little opportunity for his work.

Another safeguard Mr. Peazelly suggests is the writing of the amount of the check, either in figures or words, in red ink, above or within the signature at the bottom. In his experience he has found this to be a successful safeguard against fraud. But the all-important things are legibility of handwriting and proper location of the written amounts. Don't be in a hurry in writing a check. It is a haste that makes trouble.—Columbus Dispatch.

LIKE OTHER ORIENTAL TOWNS

Joppa Since Earliest History Has Been More or Less the Plaything of Conquerors.

In the tribute lists of Thothmes III, king of Egypt, who held his court on the banks of the Nile, some 1500 years before the Christian era, there figured the town of Joppa. Thothmes III was a mighty warrior. He fought no fewer than seventeen successful campaigns in Syria, twice captured Kadesh and was one of the greatest builders and administrators Egypt had ever known. So, although nothing is certain about the matter, he probably captured Joppa and laid tribute on the inhabitants, who then, as today, built their houses over the "rounded hillock" which, from the sea, forms a gracious landmark. That was 3,400 years ago, and every now and again during all those centuries, the old city, which looks out over the Mediterranean toward the coast of Africa, away beyond Egypt, has stepped into and out of the history of the world.

On Marrying Aviators.

It is noticed that the dear girls are marrying aviation lieutenants more than any other class of soldiers. This is not because so many of them are killed, but because the service is the most romantic, and if there is anything a well-balanced girl likes more than anything else it is romance. And to have a husband who sails the blue skies and goes hiding in the clouds makes a girl very proud. She has a right to be. He is looked upon as a superman who gets beyond the dome of gravitation and [illegible] in the regions where the angels are supposed to fly. When such a one goes back to earth and sits with his wife where the cordial [illegible] of skies [illegible] there be more delightful company? Who would not be [illegible] and face all the perils of aviation for such an experience? No wonder the government has more aviators than it wants. —Ohio State Journal.

A little engineering ingenuity has made dozens of blind and deaf children in Manila happier.

Deaf and blind children are sometimes hard to amuse. A man who fashions some plaything that can make perpetual darkness and silence a little easier to endure adds a jewel to his heavenly crown.

The merry-go-round that has been placed at the disposal of the children in the Deaf and Blind school in Manila is simple enough for the handicapped boys and girls to operate without assistance.

The whirling structure comprises a triangular framework of wood [illegible] pivoted on a [illegible] wooden post in the center. At each point of the triangle [illegible] [illegible] legs [illegible] [illegible]—Popular Science Monthly.

St. Mihiel Party.

[illegible] company at the end of a [illegible] found that it [illegible] several score of Germans in a wood. The Germans didn't show any fight. Most of them didn't even exhibit enough nerve to come out and surrender. When it came time for the captain to make his periodical report to his battalion P. C, this sentence concluded the message he sent back:

"Have about a hundred friendly troops in woods on my right."—Paris Stars and Stripes.

Popular Figures of Speech.

Many figures of speech have water as their basis. It is [illegible] enough to hear [illegible] [illegible] is in hot water; [illegible] troubled seas" is applied to the person who undertakes a difficult task and disappointment is often referred to as a "wet blanket." Rumors and reports are frequently "afloat"; persons complain that they are "swamped" with work; blessings are "rained"; men without strength are as "weak as water," and when a speaker begins to bore his audience he has "run dry."

Story Telling in Japan.

It is a curious fact that in Tokio one of the most popular of the professional story tellers is an Englishman. This is Ishii Black, whose father was the founder of the first newspaper in Japan. Mr. Black was born and brought up in Japan, and speaks the language like a native. He tells [illegible] but he has few equals among the "hanashika" as the story tellers are called. The art of story telling is [illegible] more difficult than acting. The actor has the advantage of scenery and costume to arouse and maintain interest, but the story teller has to create interest by his own merit and personality. And often he has to [illegible] five or six characters in one story.

His Goodness.

"My nephew took me automobile riding pretty nigh all over Kay See," said old Riley Bezzidew, who was just back from a visit to the big burg. "He is a better driver at running over dogs and baby carriages and people and still missin' 'em than any other driver I ever had the pleasure of witnessing. And when folks would leap out of the way and tumble down, and scramble up and cuss and holler at him he never sassed back, but just smiled and said the pleasure was all his'n. Compared with considerable many drivers I have observed Roy is so good that he is almost saintly."—Kansas City Star.

Terrors of a Cuban Cane Fire.

One of the greatest terrors on the Cuban sugar plantation is cane burning. This year it has not been as troublesome as it was last, as there have been few fires. When the fire alarm is given everyone turns out to fight it, and the horsemen galloping from all directions toward the swift, terrible flames and vast smoke cloud make a stirring sight. Everyone is a fireman on a sugar plantation, and for refusing to fight cane burning fires, Cuba imposes a fine of $1,000 and 20 years' imprisonment—no wonder the natives have developed into some fire fighters.—Scientific American.

Airplane Must Keep Moving.

An airplane cannot possibly come to a standstill in the air. There must be sufficient speed for flight or the machine will fall. The least speed of airplanes is almost directly proportionate to the weight loaded. A machine whose gross weight is 2,000 pounds and whose wing area is 400 square feet will have a wing loading of five pounds per square foot, and will usually have a minimum speed of about 50 miles an hour. An airplane having a wing loading of four pounds per square foot will have a minimum speed of about 40 miles an hour.

Getting Best Work from Mules.

The pack mule is not the only member of his family that has peculiarities that can be played upon or must be ignored. [illegible] few weeks later [illegible] have become well acquainted and then if they are parted the whole process must be gone over with again.

Where It Really Is Cold.

A New York man says he has a friend who [illegible] so cold in northern Canada that as soon as he spoke a word it froze and dropped to the floor of his room. In the middle of the night it grew warmer and he was awakened by someone talking. That sound seemed to come from the floor. He got up, lit the light and found that the frozen words were melting and returning the conversation he had had the evening before.

"G'day [illegible] all the [illegible] "Yes, poor fellow. A great shadow hung over him." [illegible]

[illegible] he hasn't [illegible] to buy [illegible]"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

No Lack of Reminders.

Every married man learns from his wife every day or two that all other [illegible] take their wives out to places and do not [illegible] them around the house [illegible] like a bump on a log.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Sympathetic Sermon.

A wagging tongue is generally the [illegible] people spilling the [illegible]—Star.

VICTOR OVER CHINESE DRAGON

American-Made Motortrucks Are Winning Way to Popularity in Land of Conservatism

We go back far to the years when they used to build high stone walls around the cities of China to keep out the innovations of civilization. Today they are tearing down these walls, breaking them up into tiny pieces, and using them to build highways that will enable their now progressive government to make the best use of the American-made motortrucks which China is beginning to utilize.

This is, perhaps, as striking a comment on the economic and political changes that are taking place within this interesting country as has come out of China in a long time. The credit for such progressive policies is given in the main to Dr. George E. Morrison, famous explorer and political adviser to the Chinese republic, an exchange states. Doctor Morrison has succeeded in substituting a lot of new American ideas for the superstitions and conservatism of the once "heathen Chinee." And now it is the motortrucks [illegible].

A considerable number of trucks are now in use in China, and they are doing everything required of them with [illegible] efficiency, in spite of [illegible] difficulty of securing skilled drivers and competent mechanics in that part of the world.

GRATEFUL FOR COLD WATER

Thirsty Fighters Went on Their Way Blessing the Thoughtfulness of That Red Cross Worker.

There was plenty of water in X, but a tin cup of it was more deadly than a German machine gun. It's impossible to push two or three hundred thousand soldiers back and forth over a territory, especially when half of them are Germans and there isn't time to clean up after they have been defeated, and keep the water supply unaffected. And when, as is the case often, the water wasn't very pure to begin with, it's not at all wise to dally with the idea of drinking it. But what can you do when you've been out all day fighting and pursuing Germans and your canteen's empty and the roof of your mouth feels like a vulcanized scrubbing board?

That's the thought that came to a Red Cross field service man during the hottest fighting in August. It was hot in two senses. The bullets flew and the sun melted. And the Red Cross man took out his largest marmite and filled it with water that was cool and purified. He kept it full all day and every soldier that passed that way had a drink of water. It was water they wanted just then. A little initiative on the part of one man made the soldiers as he himself put it "absurdly grateful." But after struggling across fields and roads all day in the hot sun, well—well men do become absurdly grateful for a drink of cool water.—From a Red Cross Scrapbook.

Smashing All Records.

The knell of such musical German propaganda as "Die Wacht am Rhein" and "Deutschland Uber Alles" was sounded the other day when more than 1,500 phonograph records embracing these and similar airs were destroyed by a committee of women acting under the auspices of the National Phonograph Records Recruiting corps. The records were reduced to fragments with hammers at the corps headquarters. Aside from ridding the country of all German records that savor of propaganda, the normal purpose of the organization is the gathering up of all "slacker records" in the country for the entertainment of American boys in the front-line trenches. To this end a slacker drive for records will be launched next week.—New York Sun.

Practical Jimmy.

Mr. [illegible] went away with his mother to visit [illegible] in the country. [illegible] thought of how he would misbehave, [illegible] to her surprise he was [illegible] during the whole visit—always [illegible] he was told and never misbehaved. As soon as he entered his own home, however, he was his natural self again.

"Why, Jimmy," she said, "you were so good while you were away, why do you start acting badly now?"

"[illegible]" asked Jimmy.—Chicago Tribune.

Novel Contribution Box.

A Minnesota man has invented a novel contribution box for churches. If a person drops in a quarter or more there is silence; if he contributes a dime a bell rings; a nickel sounds a whistle. If an unfortunate pretends to be asleep when the box is passed, it wakens him with a watchman's rattle. It is said that a Nebraska man has perfected an invention which enables the user of a party telephone to [illegible] any other subscriber who may be listening to his conversation. [illegible] are [illegible] possible.

A [illegible] was [illegible] up before the C. O. for missing [illegible] and asked why he failed to get out of the hay.

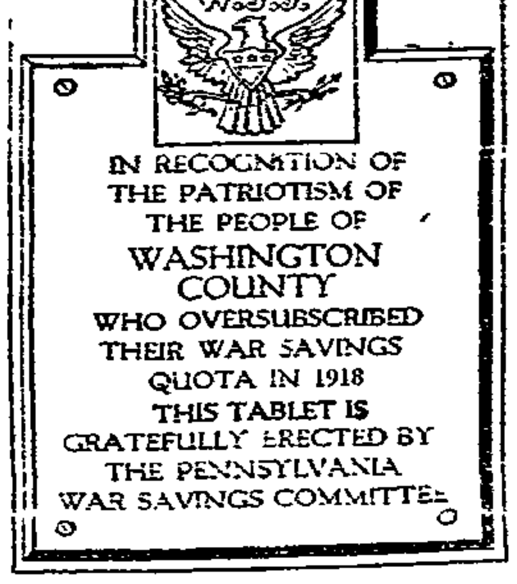
"[illegible]," says the buck. "I had Green sleeping on one side of me, Brown on the other, White above me and I am red-headed so I figgered I was camouflaged and that the top wouldn't see me."—Plane News.

Literally.

"Did you see where a big bombing plane to show its capacity carried a piano from Paris to London?"

"Well, that was music in the air."

We Must Win This Tablet For Our Courthouse



IN RECOGNITION OF
THE PATRIOTISM OF
THE PEOPLE OF
WASHINGTON
COUNTY
WHO OVERSUBSCRIBED
THEIR WAR SAVINGS
QUOTA IN 1918
THIS TABLET IS
GRATEFULLY ERECTED BY
THE PENNSYLVANIA
WAR SAVINGS COMMITTEE

Quota	$3,000,000
Sales to Date	$1,500,000
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ONLY ONE

The Record in Charleroi Is a Unique One.

If the reader has a "bad back" or any kidney ills and is looking for an effective kidney medicine, better depend on the remedy endorsed by people you know. Doan's Kidney Pills have given great satisfaction in such cases. Charleroi citizens testify to Louis Velletay of 205 Prospect avenue. She says: "I had been troubled for years with dropsical swellings in hard to get around. I also had a dull, heavy pain in the small of my back and I couldn't do my housework. Rheumatic pains darted throughout my body and I felt tired all the time. I got no relief until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. I bought them at Piper Bros. Drug Store, and two boxes relieved me. I now take Doan's Kidney Pills when I am not feeling well and they never fail to help me."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Vellettay uses. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. 40

Plenty of exercise, fresh air, regular hours—is all the prescription you need to avoid Influenza—unless through neglect or otherwise, a cold gets you. Then take—at once

HILL'S CASCARA QUININE BROMIDE

Standard cold remedy for 20 years—in tablet form—safe, sure, no opiates—breaks up a cold in 24 hours—relieves grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. The genuine box has a Red top with Mr. Hill's picture. At All Drug Stores.

FOR SALE

6 room and bath, lot 60x150. Price is right. Lock Four.

Modern 8 room house. Crest avenue, with view of river for miles. Excellent location. Just the home for particular party.

5 room house McKean Ave $2300.

6 room house McKean avenue $3200.

10 room house Fallowfield Ave. $6,000.

100 acre farm near new mill at Stockdale.

I. R. BLYTHE and SON
Might Bldg. Charleroi, Pa.

Stop! Look! Listen!

FOR SALE

For Sale: Five room house, Fallowfield avenue, $3000.

Five room house, Lincoln, $4500

Six room house Fallowfield. $6500

Six room house McKean, $3000.

Eight room house Eight St., $2500

Nine room house and 8 room house [illegible] Street, $4300

Four room house Lincoln, [illegible]

Six room house and vacant lot. $42[illegible]

Five room house, Crest. $3000.

Six room and three room house Maple Creek, $2000.

A. L. DUBINSKY
[illegible] Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi

"List Of Official Redemption Stores Where 20 Mule Team Boraxo Coupons May Be Redeemed

Charleroi, Pa.

Frank Bros. Center Ave., Lock No. Four
R. Cooper, 738 McKean Ave.
Hubert Clement, 539 Fallowfield Ave.
Wm. Gelder, 826 Crest Ave.
National Grocery Co., 531 Fallowfield Ave.
Yewusiak & Gurmik, 11th St. & McKean Ave.
J. W. Johns
J. LeRoy, 2nd St.
Aug. Mahieu, 620 Fallowfield Ave.
Jacob Mudrak, 301 Tenth St.
Pipers Pharmacy
Paul Ternowsky, Tenth St.
Davis Woodward, Lock No. Four

SHOP EARLY?

The importance of this cannot be denied in order to insure you against disappointment.

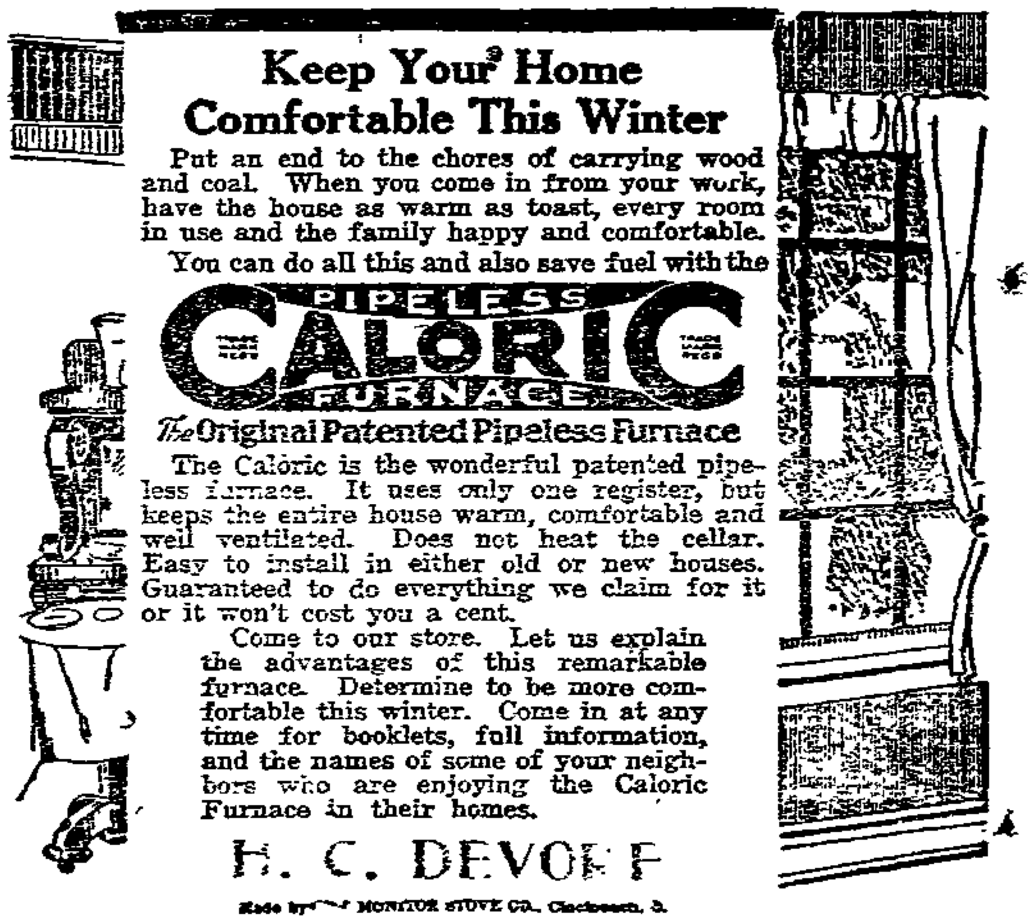
Our stock of Christmas goods is high and complete and to further facilitate your needs we announce our holiday opening and closing hours until Christmas.

Opened every day from 8:30 A. M. to 8:30 P. M.
Except Saturday from 8:30 A. M. to 10:00 P. M.

EUGENE FAU

514-16 Fallowfield Ave.
CHARLEROI, PA.

Advertise your wants in the Classified Column of the Charleroi Mail.



Keep Your Home Comfortable This Winter

Put an end to the chores of carrying wood and coal. When you come in from your work, have the house as warm as toast, every room in use and the family happy and comfortable.

You can do all this and also save fuel with the

PIPELESS CALORIC FURNACE

The Original Patented Pipeless Furnace

The Caloric is the wonderful patented pipeless furnace. It uses only one register, but keeps the entire house warm, comfortable and well ventilated. Does not heat the cellar. Easy to install in either old or new houses. Guaranteed to do everything we claim for it or it won't cost you a cent.

Come to our store. Let us explain the advantages of this remarkable furnace. Determine to be more comfortable this winter. Come in at any time for booklets, full information, and the names of some of your neighbors who are enjoying the Caloric Furnace in their homes.

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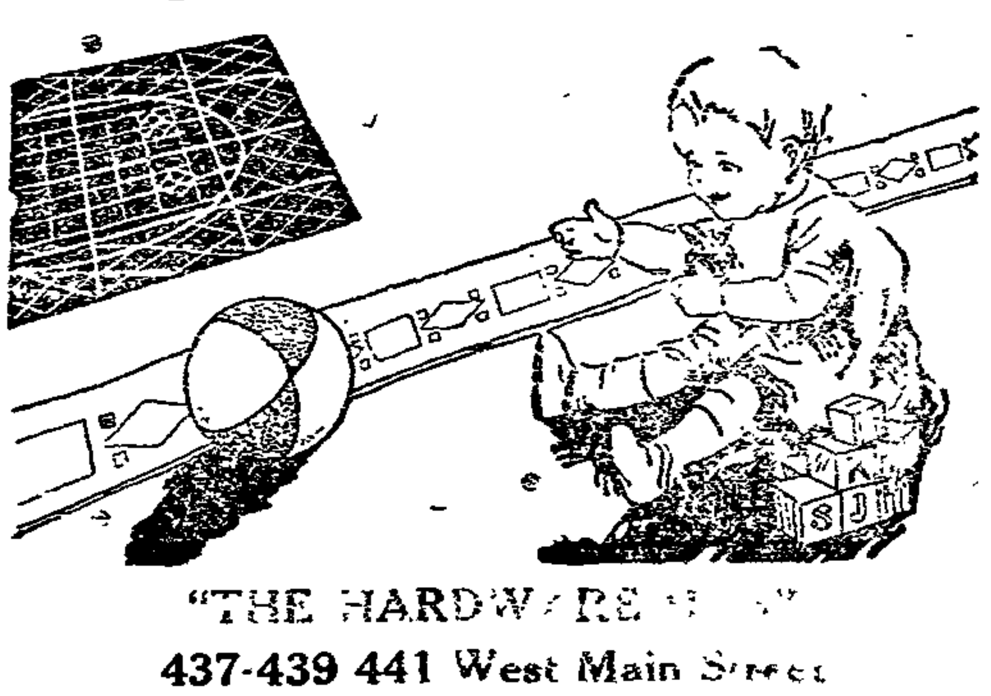
Made by The MONITOR STOVE CO., Cincinnati, O.



"THE HARDWARE [illegible]"
437-439 441 West Main Street
Monongahela, Pa.

DONT WASTE COAL
UNITED STATES FUEL ADMINISTRATION

Terrible Sores

No Matter How Chronic, Henning's Drug Store and Piper Bros., Druggists, Guarantee San Cura Ointment to Give Relief and Often Permanent Cure

"My daughter was troubled for over a year with a fever sore on her leg, and was helpless in bed for three months. To the great surprise of all, including the four doctors who had attended her, San Cura Ointment healed the great sore in less than six weeks.—[illegible], Pa.

Karl C. Banks, of the Atlantic Refining Co. of Pittsburgh, had a sore on his ankle for a year. He doctored and tried various remedies without relief. He says: "San Cura Ointment worked like a charm. It eased the swelling and healed the sore in two weeks."

Bear in mind, that besides sores, San Cura Ointment is used with great success in eczema, boils, carbuncles, salt rheum, tetter, also itching, bleeding and protruding piles. In cases of burns, scalds, cuts and bruises, San Cura is most valuable. The price is only 30c, 60c and $1.20 a jar and Henning's Drug Store and Piper Bros., Druggists guarantee it.

COMPLEXION SOAP

If you want a lovely complexion, with soft, velvety skin, free from pimples and blackheads use San Cura Soap, the great antiseptic and skin purifier, 25 cents a cake at Henning's Drug Store and Piper Bros. Druggists.

If you can't get it at your druggist, send to the Thompson Medical Co., Titusville, Pa. adv.

Classified

[illegible]

FOR SALE—Five room house, bath and [illegible] Inquire [illegible] Charleroi Savings and Trust Realty Dept. 151-tf

FOR SALE—[illegible] Washington [illegible]

FOR SALE—[illegible] with harness. Price $50. Inquire of [illegible] Meadow avenue. [illegible]

FOR SALE—Roll top desk in good condition. Also big heating stove, new last fall. Address 847 Mail office. 162-t3p

FOR SALE—Slightly shopworn and second handed machines of all makes will be sold as low as $8 and up as we need the room. Also a special price on the White Rotary.
White Sewing Machine Co.
423 Fallowfield Ave.,
Bell, 115-W 161t2-p

FOR RENT—Furnished room with board. Bell phone 89-J. 160-t4p

WANTED—Twelve men between the ages of 25 and 45 who are willing to work and who have had some selling experience. Good salary and commission. Apply in own handwriting to 828 Mail office. 152tf

FOR SALE—A three and one-half ton Acme truck. Used one month. Good as new. A bargain at $2500. Call Bell phone, Belle Vernon 18-R12 159-t5p

WANTED—Young man over 16 years of age to work in factory and office. Good wages. Steady employment with splendid chance of promotion. Also office man. One who is capable and steady. Good opportunity for the right man. Inquire in person at the Charleroi office of the Macbeth-Evans Glass company. 160-t4

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply 215 Lincoln avenue. 161-t3

WANTED—Man to collect. Good wages to right party. Apply at PeoplesStore, 536 Fallowfield avenue. 161-tf

WANTED—Waitress at Royal restaurant. McKean avenue. 162t3p

WANTED—Experienced bookkeeper. Good wages paid to right party. Apply 605 Schoonmaker avenue, Monessen after 6 p. m. 163-t1p

WANTED—Lady canvasser. Inquire Sperry & Hutchison Company, 325 Fallowfield avenue. 163-t1p

LOST—Twenty-one dollars in bills, in business section. Reward if returned to 348 Mail office. 163-t2

AUDITOR'S NOTICE

In Re Estate of William B. Carter, Deceased. In the Orphan's Court of Washington County, Pennsylvania, November Term, 1918 A. A.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, having been appointed auditor to pass upon the exceptions, if any, to the first and final account in the above estate and to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the accountant among those entitled to receive the same, will attend to the duties of his appointment at his office at No. 511 Fallowfield Avenue, in the Borough of Charleroi, Washington County, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, the 28th day of December, 1918, at ten o'clock A. M., at which time and place all persons interested may appear if they so desire.

Hugh E. Fergus,
Auditor

12-7-14-21

ADVERTISE YOUR FURNISHED ROOMS IN THE CLASSIFIED COLUMN OF THE CHARLEROI MAIL

[illegible]

Makers of Heroes.

Emerson says, "Times of heroism are generally times of terror." They show true character. It seems that human nature needs a test to show the stuff it's made of. Spirits of heroic mold often lie dormant until aroused by a mighty challenge. It seems as though there is some militarism of the soul that waits the fife call and the measure of the drum beat. Not fear but lack of occasion keeps the latent might unconscious of itself. But let the need call and the sleeping giant rouses and strides frayward to the dismay of petty puppets of annoyance.

Historic Windsor Castle.

King Edward III assessed every county of England to send him a certain number of masons, stone workers and carpenters and thus Windsor castle was built on the ground on which, it is related, King Arthur used to sit surrounded by his knights. During the reign of George IV it was improved and restored by the court architect, Sir Jeffrey Wyattville, and Queen Victoria spent nearly a million pounds in repairing and perfecting it. Windsor is the royal seat and its castle [illegible] than 1,800 acres of park and forest.

[illegible] Patents.

[illegible] it takes to obtain [illegible] on the nature [illegible] that is, the thing [illegible] on the skill [illegible] is prepared. [illegible] that division having in charge a specific class or variety of work. Each application is examined in the order of filing and some of the divisions are considerably behind in their work. An application may be acted on promptly or only after weeks or months.

Metz Once Roman Stronghold.

The Romans called the city of Metz Divodurum, and as it was the junction point of their military roads, they fortified it. This was before the Christian era. The town blocked the attacks of the earlier Huns, and in the fifth century it passed into the hands of the Franks, when its first Christian house of worship was built. Charles the Bold was crowned in Metz, and Louis the Pious was buried there. In 843 Metz was the capital of the kingdom of Lorraine.

Peculiar Rain Tree.

Rain from tree foliage is an interesting phenomenon of the Canary Islands. Dr. [illegible] Perez of Teneriffe notes that the famous rain tree of Ferro, Canary Islands, [illegible] and by means of [illegible] the poor [illegible] where there [illegible] drinking purposes. [illegible] foliage in condensing [illegible] to be evident to [illegible] through a mist-covered [illegible] of these islands.

[illegible]

The burgomaster of Arnsberg, Westphalia, Germany, having failed in all endeavors to induce the farmers of the neighborhood to bring in supplies, placed this advertisement in the local newspaper: "This municipality will buy all agricultural products for cash at government prices. Every person who delivers 100 pounds of bread grain or 200 pounds of potatoes will receive a ticket entitling him to buy a bottle of brandy or rum at reduced prices from the municipal cellars." Within twenty-four hours the cellars were empty and the residents of Arnsberg enjoyed the first square meal they had had for weeks.

When to Cut Walnut Trees.

Warning as to the proper time to cut walnut trees is sounded in a letter to the American Forestry Association from Dr. Robert T. Morris, an authority of New York city. The black walnut is destined to play a big part in the war and President Wilson has called upon the Boy Scouts to mark the trees. "From September to April is the time to cut these trees," says Doctor Morris, in his letter to the association. [illegible]

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[illegible] letters of which open [illegible], and [illegible]

[illegible] a woman is an unfailing mirror of what is in the heart of that man or that woman. If you will study faces you will study life. The face cannot deceive you if you study it. If the face tries to dissemble you look through it into the [illegible] of a more or less pathetic hypocrite.

Job for Scientists.

The scientists have demonstrated that it is really possible to eliminate the bray from the mule, and, though it would distress the little boy next door, how we wish they would now turn their attention to a rattleless express cart.—Grand Rapids Press.

New Motion-Picture Camera.

A motion-picture camera has been invented for taking portraits which are separated and mounted in book form, the appearance of motion being imparted as the pages of the book are turned rapidly.

When?

No one can be perfectly free till all are free, wrote Herbert Spencer. No one can be perfectly moral till all are moral; no one can be perfectly happy till all are happy.

Has Not Learned Life's Lesson.

A man who has lived and has not grown tolerant toward others does not deserve to meet with tolerance himself.—Turgeniev.

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Silk Gloves
Wool Gloves
Kid Gloves
Wool Stockings
Brassiers and Corset Covers
Toilet Cases and Manicure Sets
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Marabou Scarfs
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Stamped Linens
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Curtains and Draperies
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Fancy Bags
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Sunday school 9:45. Morning prayer. sermon and celebration of the Holy communion 11 by the Rev. C. J. De Ceux. Archdeacon of the diocese of Pittsburg. All members of the congregation are asked to be present. A short meeting of the Vestry will be held immediately after the service.

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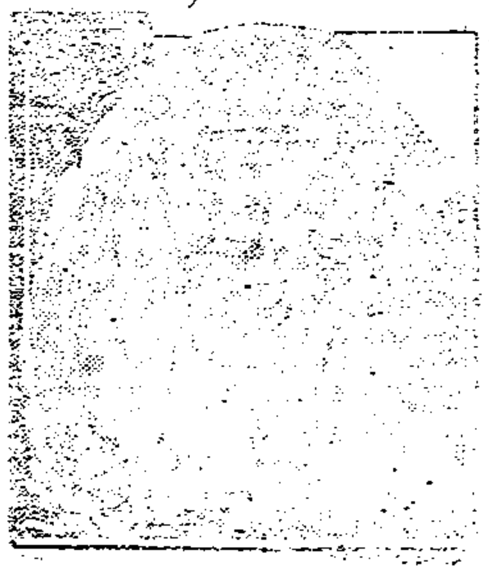

It falls to the fortune of few American girls to have the president of the United States a guest at their wedding. Of course, this is just one of the reasons [illegible] Mrs. Charles Greene Grimes [illegible] happy in this picture. [illegible] daughter of Postmaster [illegible] Burleson. She has just [illegible] Ensign Grimes—after doing her bit as a yeowoman in the navy.

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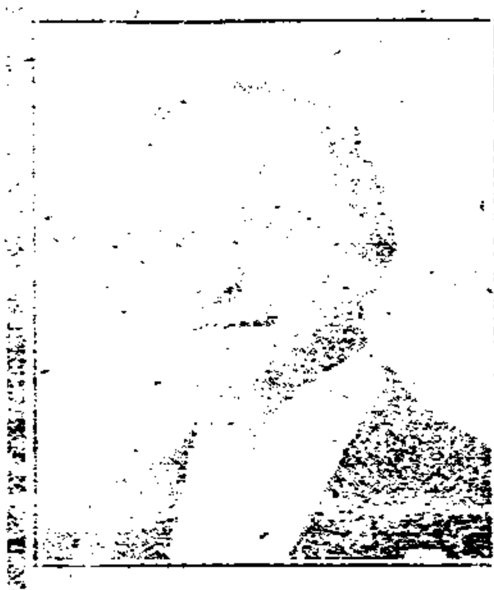

It's Just As Natural

to dress up when feeling cheerful as to eat when hungry. The continued good news from "Over There" is a direct stimulant to that dress up feeling. This is Christmas time, consequently this is dress up time.

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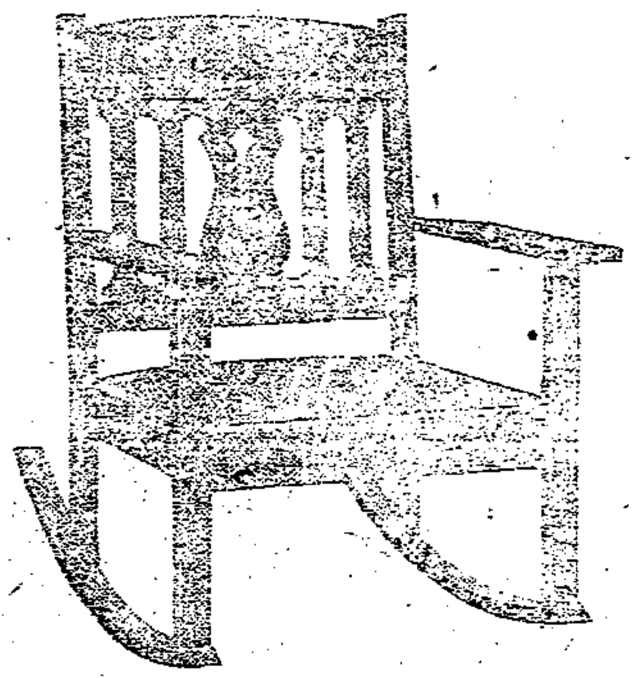

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Statistics have been collected by the clothing and equipage, subsistence, conservation, reclamation and hardware and metals division of the quartermasters' corps, United States army, to indicate just what it costs a year to maintain a soldier overseas and in the United States.

These, according to the Army and Navy Journal, show that the cost is $423.47 a year to equip and maintain a soldier overseas and $327.78 to equip and maintain one in the United States. Subsistence, figured at 69 cents a day, amounts to $251.85 yearly for each man overseas; figured at 51 cents a day in the United States, it amounts to $189.80. The cost of the initial equipment for the soldier the first year in the United States is $115.20, while the cost of his additional equipment for the first year overseas is $42.41.

Thus it appears that if the soldier going overseas did not take with him a great deal of his equipment already supplied in the United States the contrast between the cost of equipping and maintaining a soldier in this country and abroad would be much more marked. Not only is the amount of equipment needed abroad greater than that needed in this country, but the statistics of the conservation and reclamation division show that equipment and clothing overseas are subject to much harder use, wear out more quickly and are less effectively reclaimed than similar material, clothing and equipment used in the United States. The amount of reclamation of each individual soldier's equipment in this country is $75.80 a year, while the amount of redemption of similar material abroad is but [illegible].

TRAGEDY ABOVE THE CLOUDS

Individual Combats and Disasters That Test the Nerves and Wits of the Flying Fighters.

Though airplane battles are tremendously exciting for all those participating in them, it is not always in actual conflict that the nerves and wits of flyers are tested to the utmost. Many adventures may be met in tamer pursuits.

Every now and then comes the roar of a gun from below, followed by flashes of blue and red, harsh, angry explosions right and left, front and rear; the disappearance in flames sometimes of what till then had been a welcome companion on the wing, the drone of some hardy adventurer strenuously endeavoring to climb into the night, and now and then the awful spectacle of a machine emerging safely from a smoke cloud only to go smash into another traveling in a different direction. An awful smash, a hideous explosion, smoke, human cries, flames and then, with volcanic intensity, the sudden plunging into the abyss not only of what a few moments previously were two magnificently equipped bomb throwers, but four human souls, brave, proud, youthful and adventurous.—Washington Star.

Blondin's Feat Recalled.

In the whirligig of momentous world events it is not strange that there should pass almost unnoticed a few days ago the fifty-eighth anniversary of Blondin's exploit of crossing Niagara gorge on a four-inch tight rope, a feat that still stands as the acme of daring and nerve. One of the thousands of spectators that lined the river bank was the prince of Wales, late King Edward. This was the first time anyone had crossed Niagara gorge on a rope. Blondin carried a man on his shoulders on one trip, wheeled a wheelbarrow over on a second trip, and on a third trip carried a stove on his balancing rod and fixing it on the rope, cooked cakes and threw them to people in small boats below on the river. Blondin was afterward killed in Paris.

He made a test in 1859, and in the following year successfully carried out his feat, October 10, 1860.

The Thirsty Sailor.

Here's one they are telling about a British sailor and a civilian host:

The civilian brought out a bottle of bourbon and took a drink, neglecting to offer one to the sailor.

He did this about three times and then thought that the sailor might like to wet his whistle.

"Are you thirsty?" he asked the sailor.

"Yes, muchly so," answered the tar.

Whereupon the civilian went out and got him a glass of water.

"I said I was thirsty," said the sailor, "not dirty."

Why cannot scientific persons who undertake to be informing to the public learn to display their learning less ostentatiously and to convey their meaning more intelligibly? One health authority tells us profoundly that "anorexia" also is present with Spanish influenza. We take this, from the dictionary, to mean loss of appetite, which really would not be a bad thing these days; but unless it is assumed that nobody but medical men are to have the disease, it might be well to give the miscellaneous lay public a chance to know what may ail it.

Very Likely.

"The political and military situation this month will be in one respect like a family one."

"How so?"

"There will be a carving up of Turkey about Thanksgiving."

Oiling the Wheels.

No one can afford to let another person exceed them in politeness, and there is nothing in the world that will oil the wheels of life like the lubricant of courtesy. Try it in your daily life and see. No one will chide you for not being in good form, even if you should slip in a few obscure terms. For in this busy age each one is an arbiter of fashion oneself. It would be a refreshing thing to introduce a few of the old-fashioned variety of social amenities—at least it would be refreshing to the elders of some of the boys and girls of the period.—Exchange.

Learn to Concentrate.

Concentration is the secret of correctness. We make mistakes when our attention is divided. The young people who are going into business should never allow their minds to wander. Do not read a story and take part in the conversation at the same time. If you do not enjoy the lecture you are attending, listen to it as if it were the most fascinating theme in the world. Whether the thing you are doing is important or otherwise, it is of the utmost importance that you should learn to pin down your attention and hold it unswervingly.

Monk's Cowl.

The cowl, or hood, was originally a covering for the head to protect it from the inclemency of the weather, and was worn by all classes without distinction. Its ready adaptation to conceal the features led to its adoption at a very early age by monks and ascetics. As these multiplied and formed themselves into various distinct orders, their hoods assumed a different fashion in cut, color and material. From the monks it passed to the cathedral and collegiate churches, and from them to the universities.

Fried Cakes Every Day.

"Arbor day," said the teacher, "is the day to plant trees. Now, suppose that every member of this class should plant his or her favorite nut tree. Let us see how many varieties of nuts we would have. We will begin at this end of the class." Walnut, beechnut, chestnut, were named in rapid succession, but when it came Mary's turn she wrinkled her brow and thought for a long minute before she answered: "I believe I'd plant a doughnut tree."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Difference of One Letter.

The following amusing item may be found in the well-known journal of Louisa M. Alcott, kept during the trip which she and her sister May made to Europe: "M—— is a tiny man in uniform, with a red face, big mustache and blue eyes. He thinks he talks English and makes such funny mistakes. He asks us if we had been to 'promenade on monkeys,' meaning donkeys."

Visitor Takes Chance of Welcome.

Moroccan fishermen are extremely superstitious, and the appearance of a strange change in weather or tide or the coming of a visitor makes them angry if at the same time the fish cease to bite. If he arrives at the time of a run he is eagerly welcomed, and sometimes is at a loss to return in the proper way the gratitude of the fishermen, who fancy his coming brought the run of fish.

Wild Duck Consumes Much Rice.

On his way down from Canada or Alaska to the Gulf, the wild duck makes a stop-over of 90 days in the California rice fields, and during his stay consumes a large part of the rice crop, a cupful of rice at a meal. This, considering that the wild duck appears in numbers of perhaps a million or so, makes the situation much more serious than it sounds.

Equal Right, but No Favor.

"I suppose," said a lady to a conductor, "if I pay the fare for my dog he will be treated the same as other passengers, and be allowed to occupy a seat. "Of course, madam," the conductor replied politely, "he will be treated the same as other passengers, and can occupy a seat, provided he does not put his feet on it!"

The Murderer's Touch.

It is an old belief that the body of a murdered person will bleed on being touched by the guilty one. This "evidence" of guilt was once admitted in the Scottish criminal courts. If you happen to possess a copy of Sir Walter Scott's "Minstrelsy of the Scottish Border," you'll find an interesting story in this connection.

Plows Rough Lands.

A special type of plow for use in rough country, where labor is high and scarce, is known as the "stump-jump." This plow was invented and is used in western Australia, where the farm land is cluttered with roots and stumps.

Embarrassing.

At a place of worship in Bedfordshire, England, a member of the congregation went to sleep during the sermon and slipped off the seat just as the hymn, "Christians, seek not yet repose," was announced.

Optimistic Thought.

There can be no lasting concord between liberty and tyranny.

Gentleness.

Gentleness is a good word to put under the shelter of courage, and a good thing to put among the preparations for the unknown year. It is no uncommon thing, in preparing for a journey, to include articles which, in the end, are never needed. They are brought home again unused, and sometimes [illegible]. Now an absolute assurance may be given to anyone who requires it that if this moral preparation and prerequisite for the journey of the year be taken, it will be needed, and it will be used, not alone on rare occasions, but more or less daily all the time.—A. Raleigh.

Carrots for Bad Temper.

A writer sounds the praises of carrots, which he says, are not only highly nutritive and a cheap and excellent food, but are also a specific for jealousy and bad temper! "Persistent eating of boiled carrot," he says, "will cure jealousy, melancholy, feelings of wrath and revenge; and, in short, the carrot-eater will become in time easygoing, good-natured, and placidly affectionate. I commend them especially to the notice of wives who have jealous, bad-tempered husbands. Give them carrots instead of 'beans!'"—London Tit-Bits.

Varieties of Golden Rod.

It is said by many persons that the handsomest of the rods is that which is called Canada golden rod. The flower cluster is very large and plume-like. Next to it is that plant which is called the showy golden rod. It is brighter yellow than many of the species and the flower cluster is plume-like. The lace-leaved golden rod is so different from many other common species that a person can hardly fail to notice it. The flowers are crowded together, are small and dull yellow.

Preserving Spiders' Webs.

In order to preserve spiders' webs, naturalists employ an ingenious method. The webs are first sprayed from an atomizer with a thin solution of artists' shellac, and then, should they be of the ordinary geometric form, they are pressed carefully against a glass plate, the supporting strands at the same time being severed. After the shellac solution has dried the plates carrying the webs can be stored away in a cabinet.

Coconut Shell Baskets.

Really attractive hanging baskets for ferns may be easily constructed from half shells of coconuts. When three holes, at points equidistant from each other, have been pierced around the edge of the opening, and wires slipped through and caught up to fasten to a hook in the ceiling, the basket is complete, and ready for the green filling.—Christian Science Monitor.

The first Xmas of the New Peace

THERE is every cause this year for jubilation and thankfulness--every reason for the merriest Christmas we have ever enjoyed.

But will it be the old-fashioned, thoughtless Christmas of yester-year ---or will it be an expression of the new National Spirit, as typified by the Red Cross and the work it is doing.

The work must go on, of course.

We must not forget the sufferings and privations of our war-torn friends across the sea.

In our great contentment and happiness let us express our pride in the Red Cross---every one of us---and our confidence in its humanitarian work

Let this be a Red Cross Christmas with full membership in every American Home.

Put your flag in the front window

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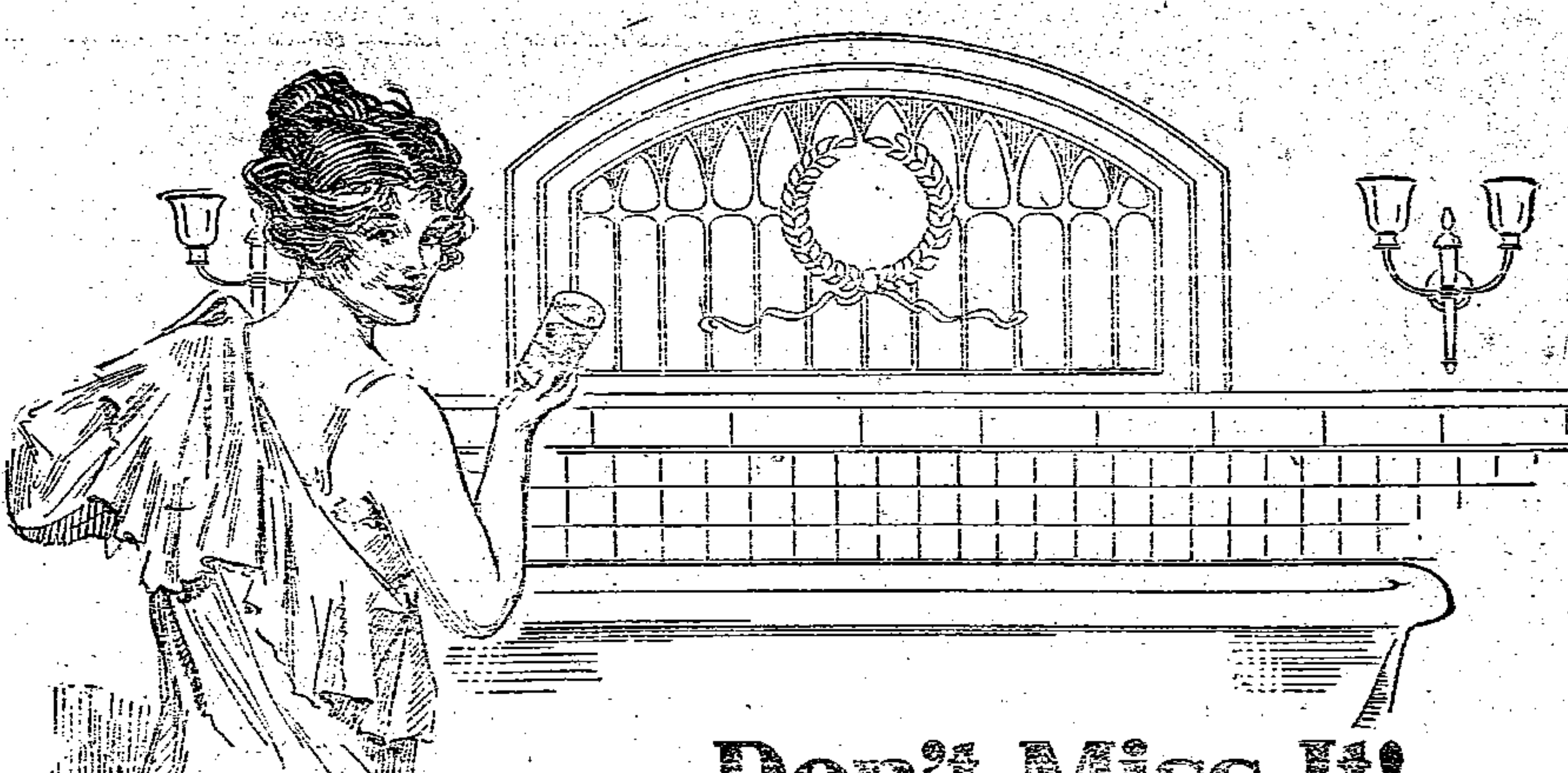

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